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SUBJ: SEIZURE OF MATERIAL FROM TOURIST

1. LATE AFTERNOON MARCH 22 PAN AM MOSCOW REPRESENTATIVE PHONED AMEMBASSY FROM SHEREMETEVO AIRPORT AND REPORTED YOUNG AMERICAN COUPLE WHO ARRIVED ABOARD PAN AM CHARTER WERE BEING DETAINED AND INTERVIEWED BY SOVIET AUTHORITIES BECAUSE OF HEBREW BOOKS AND LIST OF LOCAL JEWISH CONTACTS FOUND IN LUGGAGE.

2. CONSOFF DEPARTED FOR AIRPORT, BUT AUTHORITIES RELEASED COUPLE AND THEY DEPARTED FOR HOTEL ROSSIYA BEFORE CONSOFF ARRIVED. AUTHORITIES RETAINED BOOKS AND LIST.

3. PAN AM EMPLOYEES, WHO WERE HAVING PARTICULARLY HARRIED DAY, DID NOT HAVE NAME OF COUPLE. CHARTER WAS PAN AM C112, QUOTE COMMISSIONED OFFICERS MESS END QUOTE, BELIEVED TO HAVE ORIGINATED IN PHILADELPHIA.

4. SOVIET IMMIGRATION OFFICER (POGRANICHNIK) ACKNOWLEDGED HIS AGENCY (NOT SOVIET CUSTOMS) HAD CONFISCATED SOME HEBREW BOOKS AND PAPERS FROM AMERICAN, BUT CLAIMED OFFICERS WHO HANDLED CASE HAD LEFT AND HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT IT. AFTER MAKING PHONE CALL HE SAID NAME OF COUPLE WAS HANDLER.

5. ABOVE IS FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION IN CASE IT RECEIVES INQUIRY ABOUT INCIDENT.

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